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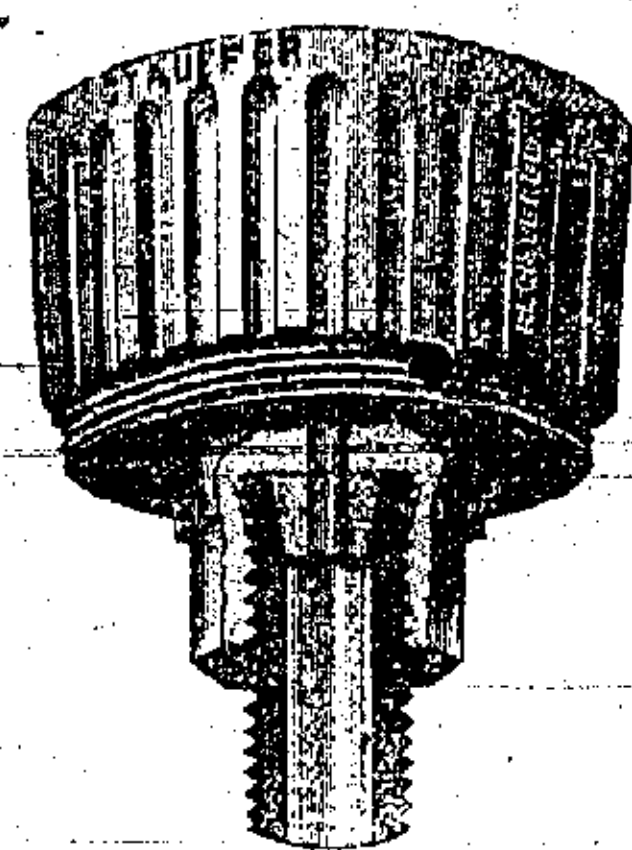
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Hongkong, September 1, 1900. 1831

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Baker Road, Peak.
Hongkong, September 21, 1900. 1833

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by the GERMAN EMPEROR.
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Mrs. GILLANDERS,
Hongkong, October 2, 1900. 2010

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Hongkong, May 29, 1900. 1227

ST. MARY MAGDALENE CHAPTER,
ROSE + OF H. R. D. M.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above
CHAPTER, will be held in the Pres-
byterian Hall, Zetland Street, on THURS-
DAY, the 11th October, 1900, at 8.30 for 9
p.m. precisely. Visiting companions are
cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, October 4, 1900. 2054

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held at the Offices of
the Undersigned at 12 o'clock (Noon), on
SATURDAY, the 13th Proximo.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 23rd inst.
to the 13th Proximo, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHISON & Co.,
General Agents,
Canton Insurance Office, Limited,
Hongkong, September 24, 1900. 1973

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FINAL CALL on the ORDINARY
SHARES of this company of \$1 per
Share having been made PAYABLE on 6th
day of August, 1900, Shareholders are
hereby notified that Shares upon which the
aforesaid Call remains unpaid are liable to
be forfeited, in accordance with the
Articles of Association of the Company.
Interest at 10% per Annum will be charged
on all Overdue Calls.

W. H. GASKELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, October 6, 1900. 2071

STEAM LAUNCHES FOR SALE.

S. L. WAI HOI, length 100, width 10-8,
depth 9.

S. L. WILLIAM, length 92, width 14-8,
depth 8-6.

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Hongkong, September 17, 1900. 1924

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Are introducing TWO ORIGINAL DESIGNS of their well-known PIANOS
"Made in Hongkong," and as they are gradually increasing their staff of workmen
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THIS ONLY EFFECTUAL REMEDY FOR ALLAYING THE IRRITATION.

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DENTON E. PETERSON,
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9, VICTORIA TERRACE, TRENCH,
10, DES VOUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

DR. PETERSON will return to his
HONGKONG DENTAL PRACTICE on or
about October 12th, 1900.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NEW ISSUE SHARES.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified
that the SECOND CALL of \$3.00
(THREE DOLLARS) per SHARE has
been made and is PAYABLE at the
Company's Office, No. 4, Queen's Buildings,
on or before 1st November, 1900.

Shareholders are requested when Paying
the above-mentioned CALL to send to the
Company's Agents their provisional Share
certificates for endorsement.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 29, 1900. 2019

HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY,
LIMITED.

TENDERS are invited for the ALLOT-
MENT of the UNPAID BALANCE of
NEW SHARES (4101 SHARES), DOLLARS
Five per Share Paid-up, PAYABLE on
the 1st November 1900.

Tenders will be received up to the 20th
of October. No Tenders under par will
be considered, and the Allotment will be
made preferably to Shareholders.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 29, 1900. 2020

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

MR. A TACK'S FURNITURE STORE
will be REMOVED to Des Vaux
Road, New Praya, opposite the Offices of
the P. & O. S. N. Co., on or about the
1st inst.

Neither the CAPTAIN, the AGENTS,
nor the Owners of the British Str.
ADATO, will be RESPONSIBLE for
any Debt Contracted by the Officers, the
passengers or Crew during the Steamship's stay
in Hongkong Harbour.

Hongkong, October 8, 1900. 2040

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEET-
ING of Members of the above Club
will be held in the City Hall, on SATUR-
DAY, the 13th October, at 12 o'clock
Noon.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, September 29, 1900. 2022

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of Members of the above
Club will be held in the City Hall, on
SATURDAY, the 13th October, at 12.15
p.m., for the purpose set forth in the
Notice that is being posted to the Mem-
bers.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, September 29, 1900. 2023

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY
MEETING of the above Company
will be held at the Head Office, Victoria,
Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 23rd inst.,
at Twelve o'clock. Noon for the purpose
of presenting the Report of the Directors
and Statement of Accounts to 31st April
last, and of declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 6th to
23rd instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
H. P. WADMAN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, October 2, 1900. 2036

'KIRIN.'

A Delicate
Lager.

THE CELEBRATED BEER OF
JAPAN.

QUARTS, \$2.30 per dozen.
PINTS, \$1.75 do.

W. HUTTON POTTS,
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THE CHINA MAIL.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.
10 a.m.—Hindoo leaves for Haiphong.
Miscellaneous.
Union Insurance Dividend Warrants issued.
Goods per *Sudra* not cleared at 4 p.m. subject to rent.
Goods per *Singapore* undelivered after 4 p.m. this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, October 13—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.

MONDAY, October 15—
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land situated at Shau-ki-wan.
3.15 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land situated at Shau-ki-wan Road.
Goods per *Singapore* undelivered before Noon, subject to rent.
Goods per *Amoy* not cleared after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, October 16—
9 a.m.—Meeting of *Paraservance Lodge*.

WEDNESDAY, October 17—
Final Call of 50 Cents on B. Shares of the Overseas Freehold Mines, Limited, due.

THURSDAY, October 18—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the China Indemnity Insurance Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

THURSDAY, November 1—
Second Call of 82 1/2% of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., due.

Opium Quotations.

HONGKONG, October 11, 1900.

New Putna, cash	905
Old Putna, cash	950
Old Putna, cash	950
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Exchange.

HONGKONG, October 11, 1900.

On London	2.01 1/2
On Hongkong	1.00
On Shanghai	1.00
On Yokohama	1.00
On Manila	1.00
On Cebu	1.00
On Batavia	1.00
On Singapore	1.00
On Hongkong	1.00
On Shanghai	1.00
On Yokohama	1.00



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BIRTHS.

At Foochow, on the 1st October, the Wife of CHARLES S. MOORE, of a Son.

At Shanghai, on the 1st October, the Wife of J. D. DE LA TOUCHE, Imperial Maritime Customs, of a Son.

MARRIAGE.

On the 8th Oct., at H.R.M. Consulate, Shanghai, and afterwards at the Union Church, by the Rev. C. E. Darwent, M.A., EUGENE JOHN NEWMAN, third son of W. T. Newman, of Sharnbrook, Essex, to BEATRICE MIRIAM, eldest daughter of the late Thomas Jeffrey, of Battle, Sussex, England.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.20 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1900.

Editorial Comment.

Mr H. E. Pollock, Q.C., has shown his well-known public spirit by the gift of a small lending library to the City Hall Committee.

The worthy Q.C. has marked his residence in this Colony by many generous acts on behalf of the public, and this last proof of his public spirit has a strong smack of common-sense about it which enhances the gift. Although the City Hall Library is a most valuable collection of books, it is little more than a library of reference, owing to the fact that the books of the various libraries which make up the aggregate now known as the 'City Hall Library' cannot be taken out of the building. We never could quite see or comprehend the reason why the general or miscellaneous collection of books formerly known as the 'Library' was placed under this restriction; but there was perhaps a good reason for placing such restrictions upon the very valuable works of a scientific and philological character. Still the fact remains that much of the usefulness of the library is nipped in the bud by the terms and conditions of the trusts; and the aim and object of Mr. Pollock is to extend the usefulness of this institution. To establish a small lending library, free to all respectable residents of all and every nationality, is distinctly a praiseworthy thing to do, and for having done so, Mr. Pollock deserves the warmest thanks of the community. It is to be hoped that many residents will follow the example of the worthy Q.C., until a collection of books be formed worthy of the Colony.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mortality Returns.

The mortality statistics for the week ended 29th September show that the death rate over the whole population of the Colony was 21.6 per 1000 as compared with 22.8 last year. The death rate of the British and Foreign civil population was 11.4 as against 20.1 last year, and that of the Chinese community 22.9 as against 22.6 last year.

The Inspector's Quarters at Kennedy-town Animal Depot.

It will be remembered that at last meeting of the Sanitary Board a Special Committee reported that the present quarters of the Inspector at Kennedy-town were unfit for human habitation, and they recommended that a two-storied dwelling be erected to the North or North-West of Inland Lot 1982, and fronting the sea. The recommendation was sent to the Government, and the reply submitted at the Sanitary Board meeting to-day is to the effect that that august body consider the site selected by the sub-committee to be most undesirable. The Government was informed that the site would entail a large outlay for reclamation, and the erection of a building thereon after reclamation would be very costly owing to the necessity for piled foundations. The proposed site moreover was in close proximity to the permanent Plague Hospital, and still closer to the site on which the Tung Wa Hospital authorities were about to build another plague hospital. Dr. Clark minutes—The Committee were accompanied by the Acting Director of Public Works who informed them that the cost of building on the site selected would not be great. The F. ed had had no information from the Government as to the erection of a Plague Hospital by the Tung Wa Hospital authorities on any site. The site selected by the Committee was to the North of the proposed Jubilee Road, and, if this latter is to be regarded as safe for pedestrians, the dwelling would surely be equally safe. I suggest that these matters be brought to the attention of the Government.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

The German Mail of the 9th September was delivered in London on the 8th inst.

The return of plague cases up to noon on the 8th October showed that 1 fresh case and 11 deaths occurred during the preceding 24 hours.

At the regular meeting of the Aerial Lodge of E.A.M. on the 10th inst., Bro. G. J. W. King was elected W.C.M., Bro. J. A. Wheel, Treasurer, and Bro. J. Maxwell, Warden.

The man Abdul Cassim, convicted at the Magistrate's yesterday, of selling tickets for the Macao Lottery, is not, we are informed, a Parao as stated in our paragraph. He is a Mahomedan.

A Chinaman made off yesterday with a motor-bike, valued at \$3, which he had stolen from a house in course of erection on Praya East. He was captured, returned and handed over to Sergeant Ritchie, who obtained for him, at the Magistrate's today, three weeks' hard labour.

Theft of a Dog. At the Magistrate's today John Mills, Inspector of Nuisances, residing in 'Peel Street, charged a Chinaman with entering the verandah of his house last night, and attempting to steal his dog, valued at \$25. Mrs. Mills noticed the thief take the dog off the chain and called her husband, who gave chase and caught prisoner. Sentence of 14 days' imprisonment with hard labour was passed.

Alleged Kidnapping. At the Magistrate's today, a Canton soldier and a woman, were charged on remand with kidnapping a small-footed young woman from Canton. The circumstances of the case as gathered by the police were reported by us the other day. The girl's story in the box to-day was different altogether from her original tale. She said she had sold herself, had come willingly to Hongkong with the prisoners and was eager to go to Singapore, where she would make plenty of money in three years to keep her fairly comfortable for a time. Mr. Hazledorn expressed his astonishment at the extraordinary manner in which the chief witness in recent kidnapping cases had wheeled round in the box on the information they had previously given to the investigators of the case. On account of the evidence he could do no other than dismiss the prisoner.

A Sanitary Report.

Messrs E. Osborne and J. McKie, members of the Quarterly Inspection Committee of the Sanitary Board, laid on the table, at the meeting of the Board this afternoon, the following report, dated October 6, viz.—We have the honour to report that on 4th inst. we visited Nos 8 and 9 Health District in company with Inspectors Knight and Brown. The Western Market is in a very filthy condition, a quantity of building rubbish needs removal, some boards, apparently used for sleeping purposes, lying across the roof-timbers, should not be allowed to remain and the whole place requires two or three coats of linewash. The Sai Ying Pun market was fairly clean, but we are of opinion that the Government should do with the markets what they compel the community to do with their dwellings, viz. linewash them at least twice a year. We visited several houses in No 9 District and found a decided improvement in the sanitary condition of those which have been opened up at the back in accordance with recent legislation on the subject; but the living rooms and especially the latrines are in the usual filthy state and it is apparently hopeless to expect them to be otherwise under the cramped and crowded circumstances in which the poorer classes live. The rents of First Street we found to vary from \$2.50 to \$3 for a cubicle, 8 feet square. No 24 First Street appears to be overcrowded, the occup. s owing up to 30 people on the first floor and 24 on the second where there should be only 16 in each case. No 30 Centre Street—the basement is used as a bean-curd factory and the floor is in a very dilapidated state. We consider that the ground surfaces of basements which are used as work rooms should be concreted, for as in this instance, the smells emanating from putrid matter in the holes and defective joints of granite stones must be injurious to the health of the workers. Sing-In Tane needs repairing or better still concreting, as it is evident on all sides that granite is unsuitable for back-yards and lanes. The law against cubicles on ground floors is everywhere evaded by substituting curtains which shut out light and air almost as effectually as the former wooden partitions, and we cannot see the action of the Sanitary Board to this matter. Side Walks.—The public side walks throughout the Colony should be surfaced. The condition of those in First Street and almost every other street we visited is hardly a creditable example for Government to set to the surrounding landlords.

YVESKETS AT THE DOCKS.—At Kowloon.

U.S.S. Monterey, Canton, Canton River, Gwalior, Admanster, E. J. Roy, Coompotham, Samsfield, Samsfield, Aberdeen, none.

TELEGRAMS.

SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 9th October.

The Beers have entered Ficksburg, Wepener and Roussville and a large British force is endeavouring to surround them.

THE ELECTIONS.

London, 9th October.

334 Unionists, 107 Liberals, and 82 Nationalists have been returned to date. The Unionists have gained Burton and the Liberals Topping and High-Peak.

THE MILITIA TO BE DISEMBODIED.

An Army order disembodies the bulk of the Militia.

THE COLONIAL CONTINGENTS.

It is stated that the Queen will receive a representative Contingent of 5,000 Colonial troops at the end of November when Lord Roberts will be present.

THE CABINET.

The Daily Telegraph states that the Members of the Cabinet have formally submitted their resignations to Lord Salisbury, to facilitate any contemplated reconstruction.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory—

On the 11th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has risen moderately in S. China. Pressure is high over the interior of China with moderate gradients and fresh to strong winds from the coast, and in the N. part of the China Sea. Recent—fresh N.E. winds; showery to fair.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Rules of the Road.

Ho Tat, master of the steam-launch *Annie*, was charged at the Harbour Master's Office to-day, with failing to observe the rules of the road, on the 9th inst. in the Harbour. Police Sergeant Burchell said that defendant's launch crossed the bows of the police launch and he had to stop. He made no attempt to keep out of the way. Defendant was fined \$5, with the alternative of seven days' imprisonment.

St. Andrew's Ball.

The arrangements for the St. Andrew's Ball of 1900 are now in full swing, and subscription lists are to be found at the following places:—Messrs Lane, Crawford and Co., Kelly and Walsh, Ld., G. Falconer and Co., Cammichael and Co., Ld., Bowling, Club, Hongkong Hotel, Engineers' Institute, Peak Hotel, and the Hongkong Club. It has again been decided to have three Practice Reel Dances (on Tuesdays, 13th, 20th, and 27th November) between the hours of 5 and 7 o'clock p.m. in the City Hall, before the Ball on Friday, 30th November—St. Andrew's Day.

Smoke Nuisances in Wanchai.

At the Sanitary Board Meeting to-day, there was submitted a petition signed by twenty residents in Queen's Road East complaining of alleged smoke nuisances caused by two firms in their locality. The petition states that almost every hour of the day the six ill-constructed funnels erected between the two firms, issue dense volumes of smoke which entirely envelope all the adjacent houses, causing great inconvenience to the inmates. Besides the coal smoke the factories, it is alleged, melt lead, tin, copper and some mysterious chemicals and compositions in connection with their business which give off an odour quite repugnant to the senses. The petitioners state that they are conscious that it is not in their power to interfere with legitimate trade, but when it assumed such large proportions as to injure the health of those who were living in its environment, they begged most respectfully to claim the kind protection of the Sanitary Board. Dr. Clark, Medical Officer of Health, minutes—The Government have written home for full particulars as to the means of enforcing sub-section 7 of Section 91 of the Imperial Public Health Act of 1875, which deals with smoke nuisances. I think this might be laid on the Board table at our next meeting with an intimation to the above effect.

Stearns' Headache Cure.

Comes in vials. Easy to take and will be found in every instance to be absolutely satisfactory. Avoid imitations. Wholesale and Retail from A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s, Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, October 11, 1900.

BAROMETER—9 A.M. ... 30.05

Do 1 P.M. ... 29.95

Do 4 P.M. ... 29.95

Thermometer—9 A.M. ... 78

Do 1 P.M. ... 79

Do 4 P.M. ... 79

Do (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. ... 75

Do Do 1 P.M. ... 75

Do Do 4 P.M. ... 74

Do Maximum ... 79

Do Minimum ... 70

Do Windy ... variable

TELEGRAMS.

THE POWERS AND CHINA.

THE MOVEMENT OF THE COURT.

The British at Shanhai-kwan.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, October 10, 2.31 p.m.

The Emperor and Dowager-Empress arrived at Chaochow, 460 li beyond Taiyuanfu, on October 6, and left on 8th October for Hsianfu, the capital.

The third British Brigade, under Brigadier-General O. M. Stewart, proceeds to Shanhai-kwan to garrison the town and forts in company with the Russians.

THE TROUBLES ON THE BORDER.

The latest news from the disturbed district close to British new territory is that all is quiet. Hon. F. H. May is still at one of the outlying police stations.

En Route to Hsian.

A Nanking telegram dated 5th Oct. reports the arrival there of General Chang-chung, commanding the Fukien contingent of the forces en route to resume the Empress Dowager. The troops numbered 4,000 men and are now on their way to Tsinghsiangpo on the Grand Canal and will from thence march overland to Hsian, the new capital of the Empire.

The Prohibition

of the export of munitions of war, etc., from European China, seems now to be actively felt by the Chinese Authorities, especially in regard to quick-firing shells, and as urgent efforts to victory have been sent from Wu-chang commanding the steel rolling machinery, etc., bought several years ago for the Han-yang works, but not yet put up, he is in the midst of making ready for the scarcity of field guns, etc. A Wanchang dispatch states that all haste is being made on the new works, which will be ready by the end of the present month.

Failed.

A Manchurian telegram to Victoria Ltd. reports that the 3rd inst. General (Chun-shan) of Hsiao-chiang (Northern Manchuria) whose army tried to raise the Russian siege of Kirin (Central Manchuria) has been severely defeated, his troops being outnumbered two to one.

IMPERIAL DECREE.

Taiyuanfu, 20th September.

A Worthy Successor of Prince Tuan.

(Hui T'ai-pu (Manchu) is hereby appointed Superintendent-General of the Yehmenyuen Palace and Park, and Commander-in-Chief of the three Yuoi Banner Corps Guards, attached to the said Palace. [Note.—The Yuoi are descendants of prisoners of war of Tatar, Mongol, and Korean extraction captured during the Manchu wars of the 17th and 18th centuries.] The said Hui T'ai-pu is also appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Rifle Brigade, but not completely armed with modern weapons of precision—attached to the Manchuria Field Force of Feking.

Non.—The three appointments above-mentioned formed a portion of the infatigable Prince Tuan's very many posts, of all of which he was deprived by the decree of the 25th of September, published at the time in these columns. As for the Manchu Hui T'ai-pu above-named, he is one of the most bigoted of Conservatives, and a devoted follower of the notorious Kang Yi, and ed followed by the Prince Tuan. It was Hui T'ai-pu who, as President of the Board of Rites in 1898, was the first to try active resistance to the Emperor's Reform Edicts, and actually dared to disobey a special decree forbidding the wearing of a special subordinate officer in the Board of Rites, named Wang Chao, from getting to the Emperor and denouncing the Emperor's edicts. Hui T'ai-pu and all those who joined him in disobeying the Emperor's edicts, were justly punished. It is needless to state that Hui T'ai-pu is a close and highly trusted member of the Reactionist Party, headed by Prince Tuan, Yung Lu, and Kang Yi.—Translator.

An Iron Giant.

America takes the form of an iron man, seven and a half feet high, who (for which) is to start from New York for a trip to San Francisco. The *Mail* New York correspondent says that the automaton is an automobile which he appears to be pulling, but by which he is really pushed. Capt. Louis Perrey is the inventor of this wonderful piece of mechanism. It speaks by means of a phonograph in its own words and the movements of its mouth is as close as though it were really alive. Capt. Perrey, who made the iron man try to destroy a big bicycle machine, which he is on a private exhibition, and he strode out like a knight-errant. Capt. Perrey, who will ride behind him in his trip across the continent, expects him to average 15 miles an hour. The motive power is a gasoline engine, so well hidden in the automobile that only an expert mechanic could find it.

THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

The twenty-seventh ordinary yearly meeting of the Shareholders of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, was held in the Company's Office to-day. Mr. N. A. Siebs, chairman, presided, and the other gentlemen present were Messrs R. L. Richardson, C. S. Sharp, G. H. Medhurst (Directors), W. J. Saunders (Secretary), D. Haskell, G. W. F. Playfair, H. W. Slado, W. H. Potis, E. C. Lane, A. G. Morris, J. Gosmann, C. H. P. Hay, C. M. G. Burnie, H. J. M. de Carvalho, J. A. de Carvalho and A. Finko (shareholders).

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, before proceeding with the business of the Meeting I wish, on behalf of the Directors, to express the sorrow that we feel that Mr. Dalrymple is no longer with us. He was Chairman of the Board at the time of his death in April last. He had been a director of the Society for more than a quarter of a century, and his opinion on matters connected with the Society's business was always valuable. We feel the loss of his presence on the Board more than a little. I regret also to have to record the death of our late Agent at Shanghai, Mr. C. W. Baird, and of Mr. E. E. Dear, formerly our Agent at Malacca, both of whom had served the Society faithfully during many years. The report has been in your hands some weeks, and with your permission I will, as usual, take it as read. I think I may say that you are very satisfactory. Not only are you able to recommend an increase in the share dividend, but you have also recommended a dividend of sixty-five thousand dollars, but only a portion of this to be paid in cash, the balance to be paid in the form of a bonus to the shareholders. During these years the Society's business has been very satisfactory, and we think it would be a good idea to recommend a dividend of sixty-five thousand dollars, but only a portion of this to be paid in cash, the balance to be paid in the form of a bonus to the shareholders. During these years the Society's business has been very satisfactory, and we think it would be a good idea to recommend a dividend of sixty-five thousand dollars, but only a portion of this to be paid in cash, the balance to be paid in the form of a bonus to the shareholders. 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